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## Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group

### Minutes for Monthly Meeting, November 12, 2003

Minutes by Dorothy Shoemaker

#### **Present at meeting:**

##### **Neighborhood Associations**

Robin Plance	St. Johns	Chair, Administrative committee coordinator
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Cathy Crawford	University Park	
	(b) (6)	

##### **Business**

Rob DeGraff	(b) (6)	
Steve Gunther	Progressive Products and Services	
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##### **Environment**

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Travis Williams	<a href="mailto:travis@willamette-riverkeeper.org">travis@willamette-riverkeeper.org</a>	
Dorothy Shoemaker	Evaluation committee coordinator, Board Secretary	
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##### **Health**

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##### **At-Large**

Jim Robison	(b) (6)	
Joe Keating	(b) (6)	Education and Outreach coordinator

#### **Excused Absences:**

##### **Neighborhood Associations:**

Larry Talbert	Hi Noon	
	(b) (6)	

**Other Absences:****Neighborhood Associations:**

Peter Laughingwolf Cathedral Park

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**Recreation:**

Bill Barrett

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**At-Large:**

Jackie Calder

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Meeting brought to order by Robin Plance, Chair of the CAG. Quorum checks OK.

The next meeting will be December 10, 2003.

The minutes from October's meeting were not ready for approval.

Joe reported that our letter about McCormick & Baxter was never sent, because after several phone calls between Joe and the Governor's staff, the Kulongoski's staff called to tell Joe that the funding had gone through.

The EPA report on the Field Sampling Plan (FSP) went to the LWG on Thursday, Nov.

6. Joe will do a press conference after we read it.

**Introductions**

The evaluation committee will write a letter to the EPA about the FSP.

Steve, Jane, and Peter met with Judy and Chip of the EPA. They talked about the FSP. The EPA wants to look at 535 spots. They also talked about the other agencies involved in the Superfund cleanup.

Chip says that \$600,000 was spent by the EPA on oversight in the last 20 months. It went to document review, mostly.

Joe wanted to discuss Harbor Oil. Steve wanted to talk about the PRPs. It was tabled until later in the meeting,

Travis missed two meetings, but managed to attend this meeting before we discussed his absences. Please note that Travis was excused both times, and the matter was brought up for humor. To avoid being listed as “unexcused”, please email Dorothy ahead of the meeting, or tell someone to tell her.

MOTION: Joe moved, Steve 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote unanimous. Raquel Coyote is made a member of the Community Advisory Group in the recreation category.

On Harbor Oil, Joe wants to cover the issue if the CAG doesn't work on it. Robin is planning a community meeting to get the Harbor Oil CAG going.

We decided to have a holiday party. Raquel offered her house. Raquel and Dorothy will co-chair. More plans will be made on email.

Robin announced that Dorothy needs a file cabinet and fax machine.

**Port of Portland presentation:**

Sean Sheldrake of the EPA Seattle office presented the Port of Portland early action. This is a removal action, as opposed to a remedial action. Instead of an RI/FS as in the Portland Harbor cleanup, the Port has to write an EE/CA (Engineering Evaluation Cost Analysis) Workplan. The removal action process is quicker, and takes less analysis because risk is not analyzed.

Other Port of Portland properties like Willamette Cove (near McCormick & Baxter) are not OK for early actions because they are too near contamination from other sources. In the case of the Shipyard, it is owned by Cascade General.

The Port directors decided to do the early action back in December, 2002.

8 metal storage containers seen on the photo distributed will be scrapped. The one remaining warehouse will be demolished.

This is a non-time-critical removal, which is unusual. The EE/CA is due Dec. 30, 2003. Data collection starts in March. The site characterization report will be due July 2004. The action memorandum is due December 2005. The design period will be Dec. 2005 to Dec. 2006, if all goes as planned. The cleanup will start in Dec. 2006 or in the summer of 2007.

**Discussion:**

Judy asked if we mind if she and Pat of the Port of Portland work together on presenting the cleanup to the community. We said that we didn't mind. The website is:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/cleanup.nsf/sites/T4>

Sean explained that early action cleanups are cheaper because they don't prove risk.

Judy read a list of EPA requirements. She will email them to us.

The revised Workplan is due back from the LWG in December.

It was repeated that the evaluation committee will look at the EPA report, and there will be a press conference.

Chip will present the EPA report/comments on the LWG FSP at December's meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.